

# DEMONS YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

## Board Meeting Minutes

July 25, 2012

John Stone's Public House

Ashland, MA

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### Executive Board Members in Attendance

Jim Chuslo	President	Present
Dave Franco	First Vice President	Present
Amy Morrissey	Second Vice President	Absent
Al Maillet	Program Director	Present
Amber Bengé	Registrar	Present
John Kirk	Coaching Director	Present
Maureen Lundy	Treasurer	Present
David Frandina	Secretary	Present
Tracy Hudson	Ice Coordinator /League Representative	Present
<i>Vacant</i>	Developmental Program Director	
Ivan Moore	Transition Director	Absent
Peggy Payne	Membership Director	Present

9 Present – Quorum

Other Attendees: Chad Thompson

### Open Meeting Items

Board Meeting called to order at 8:25 PM

1. Board Member Reports

- a. President

- i. Board members to review their position descriptions in the by-laws for possible changes at a later date.

- ii. To foster member involvement each Board member should attempt to identify an alternate who can learn their role to serve as a back-up and act as a possible successor.
- iii. The President will continue to speak with other town youth hockey organizations to build alliances.
- iv. Motion to create new rink committee.

VOTE: Approved

- v. Motion to promote and conduct Learn to Skate as a hockey program, excluding figure skaters.

ACTION: Tabled, pending additional discussion

- vi. The President is in favor of creating a mission statement to be discussed at the next meeting. Advised Board members to research "Man in the Arena" by Teddy Roosevelt.

b. First Vice President

- i. Collected equipment from three additional teams.
- ii. The organization found several jerseys that had been missing. Will conduct overall equipment inventory to determine what needs to be ordered.

c. Program Director

- i. The Demons were awarded \$5,000 from the Cheever Grant which was used to purchase equipment which the Demons will lend to kids in Learn to Skate / Learn to Hockey.

d. Registrar

- i. Preliminary rosters are due to the league by August 31, 2012. Final rosters are due by October 30, 2012.
- ii. All Board members, coaches, and team members must complete CORI forms.

e. Coaching Director

- i. Appointment of Pee Wee 3 Coach – The Board voted to approve the appointment of Pee Wee 3 head Coach
- ii. The Coaching Director will schedule the annual Coach’s Meeting on a date in August. Will attempt to coordinate the meeting so that equipment and jerseys can be distributed at the meeting.
- iii. If there is a midget team it will play a number of games in the Valley League. This will provide the opportunity for the team to schedule more games but it means the team to travel farther for away games.
- iv. A bantam goalie tryout will be held on August 6, 2012 to place the bantam goalies. Pro Ambitions will conduct the session and evaluate the goalies.
- v. Placements for pee wee goalies will be done once the bantam goalies have been placed.

f. Treasurer

- i. Need to determine pricing for Learn to Skate / Learn to Hockey.
- ii. Members of the Board are going to the bank on July 30, 2012 to update the account to reflect the new Board appointments.
- iii. Motion to update the QuickBooks software.

VOTE: Approved

g. Secretary

- i. By-Laws and Board changes were submitted to Mass Hockey

h. Ice Coordinator / League Representative

- i. The NSYHL changed the conflict process. Coaches are now required to use the on-line swap system. If a swap can not be arranged and the team is not at the game it will be considered a forfeit.
- ii. The NSYHL will have mandatory coaches meetings on August 29, 2012 and September 6, 2012. At least one coach, head or assistant, from each team must be present at one of the meetings. The meetings will be held in the meeting rooms on the second floor of the NSYF.
- iii. On September 5, 2012 there will be a meeting for members of the NSYHL regarding the status of NSYF’s Rink 3.

- iv. NSYHL parity meetings are on October 9, 2012 and November 27, 2012. New league assignments and schedules will take effect on October 22, 2012 and December 10, 2012.
  - v. The Board decided teams at the top level of their divisions may participate in the state playdown tournament or mite jamboree if the coach chooses to do so. The organization will not fund the tournament for other teams.
  - vi. The DHYA acquired an additional sheet of ice from the NSYF. The sheet is Friday evenings at 5:00 PM.
- i. Developmental Program Director
    - i. The Developmental Director will conduct an enrollment campaign for Developmental.
    - ii. Pro Ambitions will continue as the provider of professional skating instruction for the DHYA.
    - iii. The Sunday ice sheets at Navin Arena from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM will be allocated to the Developmental program.
2. BOD Items
- a. The Board questioned the promotion on the DHYA website and from DHYA emails of a member's business. The board voted to remove the promotion as it provided no specific benefit to the general membership, raised the possibility potential of conflicts of interest, and set the precedent for future such promotions. The Board will look to develop a policy outlining standards for promoting businesses on the DHYA website.
  - b. The Board approved a motion to continue to support the high school hockey programs of the member towns. As such, the Demons will send communications to the membership promoting a charity golf tournament to benefit the Holliston High School hockey program.
3. Items From the Floor
- a. None

Open Session Adjourned at 10:38 PM